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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

### Listing of Claims:

(Currently Amended) A recombinant human C1 inhibitor comprising a
modified O-linked carbohydrate and having an extended plasma circulatory half-life compared to
an unmodified C1 inhibitor, wherein the modified O-linked carbohydrate comprises a sialylated
terminal galactose residue of Gal(β1-3)GalNAc.

#### 2-3. (Canceled)

4. (Previously Presented) The recombinant human C1 inhibitor according to claim 1, wherein the plasma circulatory half-life of the modified inhibitor has increased to at least 1.5. 2. 3 or 4 times the value of the half-life of the unmodified inhibitor.

#### 5-6. (Canceled)

- (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 25, wherein the enzyme preparation further comprises sialyltransferase ST3Gal III.
- (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises sialyltransferase ST3Gal I.
- (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises sialyltransferases ST3Gal III and ST3Gal I.

#### 10-12. (Canceled)

 (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a human recombinant C1 inhibitor according to claim 1.

# 14-15. (Canceled)

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16. (Currently Amended) A method for extending the blood circulatory half-life of a glycoprotein or of a glycoprotein comprising compound, wherein the method comprises removing one or more non-sialylated O-linked carbohydrates comprising Gal(\(\textit{B1-3}\))GalNAc a terminal galactose residue from the glycoprotein by in vitro incubation with an enzyme preparation comprising one or more enzymes capable of removing the one or more non-sialylated O-linked carbohydrates, wherein the blood circulatory half-life of the glycoprotein or glycoprotein comprising compound is extended compared to an unmodified glycoprotein or glycoprotein comprising compound.

#### 17-18. (Canceled)

- (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 16, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises angalactosidase or endo-acetylgalactosaminidase.
- (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 16, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises one or more recombinantly produced enzymes.
  - 21. (Canceled)
- (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 16, wherein the glycoprotein is a C1 inhibitor.
- (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the C1 inhibitor is recombinant human C1 inhibitor.
- (Previously Presented) The method of claim 23, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises Endo-α-N-Acetylgalactosaminidase.
- 25. (Currently Amended) A method for extending the plasma circulatory half-life of a recombinant human C1 inhibitor, the method comprising <u>sialylatingmodifying</u> an O-linked <u>Gal(β1-3)GalNAc</u> carbohydrate of the C1 inhibitor by in vitro incubation of the C1 inhibitor with an enzyme preparation comprising at least one sialyltransferase capable of

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sialylating a terminal galactose residue of  $Gal(\beta 1-3)GalNAc$ , wherein the plasma circulatory half-life of the C1 inhibitor is extended compared to an unmodified inhibitor.

- 26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 25, wherein the plasma circulatory half-life of the modified C1 inhibitor has increased to at least 1.5, 2, 3 or 4 times the value of the half-life of the unmodified inhibitor.
  - (Canceled)
- 28. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises cytidine-5'-monophospho-N-acetylneuraminic acid (CMP-sialic acid).
- 29. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises cytidine-5'-monophospho-N-acetylneuraminic acid (CMP-sialic acid).
- 30. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises at least one sialyltransferase capable of sialylating a terminal galactose residue of Gal(β1-4)GlcNAc.
- 31. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the enzyme preparation comprises two or more sialyltranferases.